

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2625

Application No.: 10/830,111

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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR FORMING COMPOSITE IMAGES WITH
DIGITAL GRAPHIC ELEMENTS

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the August 22, 2008 Office Action, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-6, 8, 15, 19, 20 and 22-26 are pending in this application.

The Office Action, on page 2, rejects claims 1-6, 8, 15, 19, 20 and 22-26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Micrografx Picture Publisher Limited Edition Reference Guide (hereinafter "Micrografx") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,146,275 to Tone et al. (hereinafter "Tone"). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites an image forming device, comprising: an imaging source that scans an input document to obtain input image data, a digital graphic element forming unit that processes user-supplied digital graphic element data, a composite image forming device that forms a composite image based on the obtained input image data and the user-supplied digital